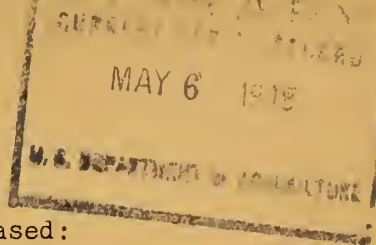


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MARGARINE PRODUCTION
March 1948

The amount of margarine produced in the United States during March 1948 was 71,559,000 pounds, as shown by compilation of reports received from all margarine manufacturers.

March 1948 production was 2,091,000 pounds more than that of March 1947 and 12,513,000 pounds more than the March average for the 5 years, 1943-47.

Of the total amount produced 70,270,000 pounds, or 98 percent, were manufactured from vegetable oils only and 1,289,000 pounds or 2 percent, from animal and vegetable oils. Coloring was added to 8 percent, or 5,836,000 pounds of the margarine produced leaving 65,723,000 pounds uncolored.

Date	Production of margarine containing						Total
	Animal and		Vegetable oils				
	vegetable oils						
	Uncolored	Colored	Uncolored	Colored			
- Thousands of pounds -							
March 1948.....:	1,247 :	42 :	61,476 :	5,794 :	71,559		
March 1947.....:	2,068 :	80 :	62,724 :	4,596 :	69,468		
March 5-yr. average 1943-47:	3,182 :	536 :	46,772 :	8,556 :	59,046		
1947							
April.....:	1,024 :	33 :	40,015 :	5,149 :	46,221		
May.....:	1,283 :	35 :	31,490 :	4,245 :	37,053		
June.....:	1,215 :	44 :	37,182 :	2,519 :	40,960		
July.....:	1,379 :	16 :	43,298 :	3,929 :	48,622		
August.....:	1,379 :	63 :	44,260 :	3,325 :	49,027		
September.....:	2,138 :	68 :	59,834 :	4,622 :	66,662		
October.....:	2,418 :	87 :	77,687 :	6,001 :	86,193		
November.....:	1,727 :	7 :	70,107 :	8,976 :	80,817		
December.....:	2,032 :	72 :	70,109 :	6,244 :	78,457		
1948							
January.....:	2,320 :	100 :	77,731 :	7,621 :	87,772		
February.....:	1,787 :	53 :	71,555 :	6,350 :	79,745		
Yearly Totals							
Total 1947.....:	20,919 :	654 :	661,411 :	55,725 :	738,709		
Total 1946.....:	16,321 :	1,533 :	498,419 :	56,379 :	572,652		
Total 1945.....:	24,438 :	9,540 :	490,881 :	89,124 :	613,983		
Total 1944.....:	33,875 :	10,654 :	446,312 :	92,925 :	583,766		
Total 1943.....:	45,765 :	7,957 :	447,883 :	108,526 :	610,131		

